

Appointments:

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 104–191, appointed the following individual to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics for a four-year term: Dr. Raj Chanderraj of Nevada vice Dr. Richard K. Harding of South Carolina. **Page S8692**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Aaron Paul Dworkin, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2014. **Page S8728**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—271) **Pages S8668, S8669, S8683, S8702**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, December 10, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8727.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Ramona Emilia Romero, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Casey, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

CREDIT UNIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of the credit union industry, after receiving testimony from Deborah Matz, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Joseph A. Smith, Jr., of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Hagan and Burr, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Carolyn W. Colvin, of Maryland, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security, Social Security Administration, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cardin, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Sue Kathrine Brown, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Montenegro, Joseph M. Torsella, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, who was introduced by Senator Casey, David Lee Carden, of New York, to be Representative to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Pamela L. Spratlen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, and Daniel L. Shields III, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam, all of the Department of State, and Eric G. Postel, of Wisconsin, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.